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| TUBULAR MEMBERS | § | |

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 14, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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I. Introductory Comments

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 14, 2005.

An amendment transmittal sheet accompanies the present paper, indicating any required fees and corresponding means for payment. If any additional fees, including extension of time fees, are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the listing of claims, which begins on page 16 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this document. As discussed in the Remarks, an Office Action mailed October 2, 2001 for U.S. utility application no. 09/512,895 is attached to this present paper.